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Title : Need to develop 'Dandi Yatra' route as a heritage project in Gujarat.

SHRI KASHIRAM RANA (SURAT): Last year, the Government of Gujarat requested the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India for making improvement and preservation of the Dandi Marg as heritage project. On 6th April, 2005, Hon'ble Prime Minister also announced that this Dandi Yatra route would be developed as a heritage route. The project involves improvement of the existing state and Panchayat roads constructing new bridges across the river Narmada, Mahi and Tapi, new construction of around 41 Kilometers. The estimated cost is Rs. 344 crore inclusive of land acquisition and walkways along the entire route.

Considering the importance of Dandi Marg in the history of our independence movement. I urge up on the Government to kindly consider improvement and preservation of this route as a heritage project immediately.